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TAGS: PGOV PINT IS
SUBJECT: SUGGESTED MESSAGE TO BEGIN

REF: TEL AVIV 4215

1. HERE ARE SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR A CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT TO MENACHEM BEGIN. (AS STATED IN REFTEL, I HOPE THAT I CAN HAVE A MESSAGE IN HAND BY THE END OF THIS WEEK.)

2. I BELIEVE A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO BEGIN SHOULD BE RATHER SHORT AND HIGHLIGHT THREE OR FOUR POINTS. THE TONE IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT. BEGIN IS A WARM, COURTLY, QUITE EMOTIONAL MAN WHO IS VERY SENSITIVE TO - AND RECEPTIVE TO - THE NICETIES OF THE WAY IN WHCIH HE IS HANDLED.

3. ABOVE ALL, IN FRAMING A PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE IT SHOULD BE BORNE IN MIND THAT BEGIN WILL MAKE IT PUBLIC AND THAT SEVERAL AUDIENCES WILL SCRUTINIZE IT INTENTLY.

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4. WITH THESE PRINCIPLES IN MIND I SUGGEST THAT THE MESSAGE MIGHT CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. WARM CONGRATULATIONS ON HIS ASSUMING THE PRIME MINISTERSHIP.

B. THE CHANGE SHOWS THAT ISRAEL SHARES WITH US A DEEP COMMITMENT TO THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS.

C. MANY COMMON TIES AND VALUES - BOTH OLD AND NEW-
UNITE OUR PEOPLES IN FREINDSHIP, NOT LEAST OF WHICH IS
YEARNING FOR LASTING PEACE. BECAUSE OF OUR SPECIAL
RELATIONSHIP WE HAVE MAINTAINED AND WILL CONTINUE TO
MAINTAIN A COMMITMENT TO THE SECURITY OF ISRAEL.

D. THE U.S. WILL CARRY ON WITH ITS EFFORTS FOR A
JUST AND PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE DISPUTE BETWEEN
ISRAEL AND ITS NEIGHBORS. THE PRESIDENT LOOKS FORWARD
TO CONTINUING TO WORK CLOSELY WITH NEW GOVERNMENT TO
PRESSING FORWARD TOWARD THAT GOAL.

E. AN INVITATION FROM THE PRESIDENT TO VISIT
WASHINGTON AS SOON AS CONVENIENT FOR BEGIN.
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